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**TRANSMITTAL OF PATENT APPLICATION, BASED UPON**  
**CONVERSION FROM A PROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 119(e)(1) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(3) and § 1.78(a)(4) is the *non-provisional* patent application, based upon an earlier-filed provisional application, of:

Inventor(s):	Adam G. Malofsky, et al.
Title:	<b>FASTENING DEVICE</b>
Drawings:	6 Sheets
Papers Enclosed:	Specification, 112 Claims and Abstract (Total of 67 Pages); Drawings - 6 Sheets; Cover Sheet; Declaration and Power of Attorney; Certificate of Express Mail; Return postcard
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<b>Filing Fee</b>	<b>\$2,526.00</b>

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CLAIMS AS FILED							
	No. Filed			No. Extra	Rate		Fee
Basic Fee							710.00
Total Claims	112	-	20	92	x 18.00		1,656.00
Independent Claims	5	-	3	2	x 80.00		160.00
Multiple Claims					270.00		0.00
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**Earlier-filed *PROVISIONAL APPLICATION*:** Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: "This is a non-provisional application based upon an earlier filed provisional application, Serial No. 60/201,078 filed April 28, 2000."

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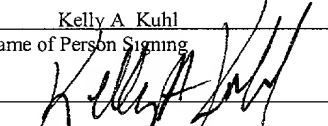
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